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FOR WILGIS FROM ANDREWS

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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. THE TRADE AGREEMENT - IN OUR TALKS WITH CONGRESSIONAL STAFFERS LAST WEEK WE DID NOT UNCOVER ANY NEW OPPOSITION TO THE TRADE AGREEMENT, BUT MANY OF THEM WERE SIMPLY UNAWARE OF THE ISSUE. THIS WEEK WE WILL BEGIN TALKING TO THE SENATORS THEMSELVES. CARL SCHMIDT HAD A GOOD TALK LAST WEEK WITH ZOLTAN MERSZEI OF DOW WHO SAID HE WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO TAKE UP THE AMBASSADOR'S REQUEST TO DO SOME LOBBYING ON THE TRADE AGREEMENT. HE PROMISED TO CALL AS MANY SENATORS AS HE COULD STARTING WITH DOLE, LONG AND HANSEN WHOM HE KNOWS PERSONALLY, AND TO SEND OUT LETTERS AS WELL. HIS STAFF CALLED THE NEXT DAY TO CHECK THE TEXT OF A LETTER WITH US SO WE KNOW MERSZEI WAS MAKING GOOD ON HIS PROMISE.

GEORGE BOUTIN TALKED TO
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WILLIAM KLING, THE WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVE OF THE AMERICAN SOYBEAN ASSOCIATION. KLING SAID HE WILL ASK THE VARIOUS STATE SOYBEAN ASSOCIATIONS TO CONTACT THE FOLLOWING SENATORS IN SUPPORT OF THE AGREEMENT: LONG, TALMADGE, BENTSEN, CURTIS, DOLE, AND DANFORTH. ERWIN TOMASH, CHAIRMAN OF

THE US SECTION OF THE HUNGARIAN US ECONOMIC COUNCIL HAS

SENT A MAILGRAM TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.
WE THINK OUR EFFORTS ARE WELL UNDERWAY. WE WILL KEEP YOU
ABREAST OF DEVELOPMENTS.

2. PERSONNEL CEILING - PLEASE BE ASSURED THAT WE HAVEN'T
FORGOTTEN YOUR PROPOSAL. THERE IS NO PROBLEM IN THE DEPART-
MENT. THE FBI IS STILL REVIEWING THE SUGGESTION. WE ANTI-
CIPATE THEIR CONCURRENCE.

3. STEIN ESTATE CLAIM - YOUR LETTER TO HERMAN WAS CLEARED
BY L WITHOUT CHANGE. WE SENT IT TO HIM JUNE 5. VANCE

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